

N2 Reflection Workshop (September 29, 2010)  
  
The following are comments raised by stakeholders during the introduction of N2 Project.  
1. The project is really essential as it open ways for future interventions  
  
2. It is better if you add environmental impact assessment in the planning  
  
3. Include Topography, Crop type, Soil type, Vegetation cover in the study  
  
4. Involve local communities in the reading of hydro-meteorological equipments  
  
  
The following are concerns raised by stakeholders during the introduction of N2 Project.  
1. Does increasing Water Productivity in N2 project include different varieties of crops?  
2. Do you monitorground water flow?  
3. Is there any monitoring on the upstream and downstream impacts of Rain Water management (RWM) interventions in the selected watersheds?  
4. What is the impact of the Nile Basin Development Challange (NBDC) project in future programs, like Hydropower development?  
5. Is the project going to look at Sediment and Erosion rates?  
6. Is the current knowledge of Development Assistants (DAs) at woreda level sufficient to bring the required change in effective RWM strategies?  
7. How could you get the research sites as control as you want?  
8. How will, how is it going to be done; data collection?, modelling?, validation etc?  
9. How long will it take to achieve the goals of the project?  
10. Your project, is it not, more of data generation for future time rather than being immediate use?  
11. The model, you are going to use, does it include the upstream and downstream land use changes?, impacts on water and river flows?  
12. Do you consider environmental flow assessment to consider scenarios for different objectives , i.e, maximum economic benefits, social benefits and  
environemtnal benefits?  
13. In your planning I didn't see watershed management  
14. Does your project address a physical conservation?  
15. Other than producing research documents, which is useful as entry point towards solving problems, what is its real contribution to livelihood of the residents?  
16. How would this research address different Agro ecological (AE) conditions apart from specific watershed?  
17. How is the committment to achieve a target (Goal) in this project?  
18. Doesn't this project have a "scientific bias" (more scientific than developmental objective)?  
19. How empowering/ Participating is this project?  
20. In what way(s) is this project different from other " conventional projects"?   
  
The above questions/concerns were answered by Matthew and N2 project members